

Supervisor Romaine and Councilwoman Cartright Call for NYS DOT to Install Sidewalks Along Dangerous Section of Route 25A in Stony Brook

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Farmingville, NY – On July 25, Supervisor Ed Romaine (at podium) and Councilwoman Valerie M. Cartright held a press conference at the Stony Brook Railroad Station to call for the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) to install sidewalks along Route

25A, between the station and Main Street in Stony Brook. Calling this section of NY State Road, which is just west of the station, “dangerous,” the Supervisor noted three recent accidents, including one fatality. The Supervisor also noted that a great many Stony Brook University students and residents walk the route to the village and they “take their life in their hands” on the roadway. Joining Supervisor Romaine (at podium) and Councilwoman Cartright (front row, third from left) were Assemblyman Steve Englebright (front row, fourth from left) and representatives from the Ward Melville Heritage Organization, Three Village Chamber of Commerce, Stony Brook Concerned Homeowners, local business leaders and residents.

Supervisor Romaine said, “Pedestrian safety is severely threatened without sidewalks on Route 25A and this needs to be corrected by the New York State DOT. Stony Brook University has a large student population who don’t have cars and when they walk to the village, they take their lives in their hands.”

Councilwoman Cartright said, “The Town of Brookhaven is in the process of completing a corridor study of Route 25A from the Smithtown border to Poquott. During the 2017 community visioning process, many in the community voiced concerns we share about students and residents who frequently walk this section of the corridor at all times of the day and at night. We ask that the DOT work with the elected officials and community representatives gathered here today to develop a solution to the safety hazard that exists here.”

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